HONORS TO DEAD FIRE CHIEF.

MEPARTMENT OUT IN FORCE AT COLEMAN'S FUNERAL.

Many of His Comrades at the Impressiv Services in Addition to the Chiefs Who Acted as Palibearers and the Detailed Escort of Forty of His Men. Battalion Chief Martin M. Coleman, who

lost his life in the blaze in the Mott street furniture factory on Monday night, was buried yesterday morning from the Church of the Immaculate Conception, in East Fourteenth street.

Acting Chief Kruger had issued a special order detailing a deputy chief and five battalion chiefs to act as pallbearers and assigning forty men as escort.

The men assembled at the house of Engine Company 5, in East Fourteenth street, at 9:30 yesterday morning and marched to the house of the late chief at 308 East Fourteenth street. They filed upstairs to the parlor of the little four room flat and passed by the oak casket in which t eir old chief lay. He wore the full dress uniform of a battalion chief. On his left breast was pinned the Bennett medal, which he received in

On top of the casket lay a large bunch of roses and ferns, sent by the chief's friend Mayhew Bronson of the Larchmont fire service. Beside the inscription plate was the chief's old fatigue cap and a small bunch of white roses bearing a card upon which was written "Dolly." This was what the chief always called Lillie, his youngest child.

There were many other floral pieces banked up back of the casket. There was one from Deputy Chief Burns, who was Coleman's immediate commander; another from the men of Truck 8, one from Engine Company 5, and another from Truck 11. The employees of the Herrmann factory sent a beautiful piece of autumn leaves and white and red roses. After the men detailed to act as escort

had filed past the casket there followed about two hundred firemen, who a few hours before had been released from duty for their day off. Most of these men had served at one time or another under Cole-man, and they voluntarily gave up their day to pay their respects to their old chief. Then there came a lot of children from a neighboring parochial school. Coleman had always been fond of children, and there was not a child in the district that did not

was not a came in the district that da not know the big chief.

At 10 o'clock the firemen acting as escort were drawn up in double line, and while they stood with bared heads the casket was carried to the hearse.

Deputy Chief Gooderson, Battalion Chiefs Shay Reggins, Devanney, King and Maher. Shay, Beggins, Devanney, King and Maher, acting as pallbearers, followed beside the

As the funeral procession started toward the church the escort fell in line behind the hearse. They were under the com-mand of Deputy Chief Burns. Chief Burns and the funeral procession in the escort each and the five foremen in the escort each carried a fire bugle bound with crape at the

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Then came the firemen who were voluntarily attending. Behind them followed Commissioner Sturgis, Secretary Leary, Chief Kruger, Chief Ahearn, Capt. Howe of Truck 6, Capt. Hauck of Engine 65, and ex-Deputy Police Commissioner Thurston.

At the church a requiem mass was celebrated, Father Barry, a cousin of the dead chief, being the celebrant. He was assisted by Fathers Hughes and Denns. The oration was delivered by Father Van Rensselaer, and Monsignor Edwards gave the last blessing.

The uniformed firemen filled almost all the pews on the right of the centre aisle. Just after they had taken their seats Lieut Steckel of Engine 55 limped up the aisle. He was the last man to see Chief Coleman alive. He called to him, "Come out, chief; come out!" just as the walls began to topple. Steckel was pinioned by falling beams, but his men wrenched him free, leaving his beat caught in the workleyer. his boot caught in the wreckage, Mr. and Mrs. McNally, the parents of the young fireman who lost his life at the First avenue fire a year ago, sat in one of the side

The funeral procession passed by the houses of Engine Companies 5 and 28, and Hock and Ladder Company 3, Chief Cole-man's old headquarters. The men attached to each company lined the curb and the engines and trucks were run out. As the hearse passed the men saluted and the bells were slowly tolled. The participating firemen lined up at

the entrance to the Greenpoint ferry and gave their chief a final salute. The carriages containing the relatives and some of the chiefs followed to Calvary Cemetery, where

chief followed to Calvary cemetery, where the interment took place.

THE SUN has received \$2 from Charles F. Wingate for the widow of R. J. Joyce, the fireman who lost his life in the fire on Monday night in Mott street. Joyce's funeral will take place to-morrow morning

KNEW THE WALL WAS UNSAFE. Nevertheless, Wolf Says, He Had to Go Up and Loosen the Girders.

Martin Wolf, in an ante-mortem statement to Coroner Flaherty at the Cumberland Street Hospital, Brooklyn, yesterday, declared that he had warned the contractors, Levine & Levisohn, that they were proceeding with the work of the demolition of the old Thirteenth Regiment Armory, at Hanson place and Flatbush avenue. where two men were killed and seven injured by the cave-in of a portion of the wall and three big girders on Wednesday, in a manner that was dangerous.

"Levisohn told me to go up on the wall and loosen the girders at 10 o'clock in the morning," said Wolf. "I refused, telling him it was not safe. After dinner he again told me to go up, saying there was no danger. I told him a week ago that he would kill some one if he tore down the girders Don't you be afraid,' he said. 'Go up and go to work. Never mind about taking them down one at a time, we'll take them all down at once.' I had three bosees on the job. James Conners, the man who has since died, hired me. He sub-contracted from Levine & Levisohn for removing the iron, and Levine & Levisohn for removing the iron, and Levine & Levisohn were subcontractors from Joseph Cohen & Co. I protested to all three about the method, but, of course, I had to obey orders.

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"I was shaky all the time I was at work on the wall. I knew the weakened condition of the structure, and the accident did not surprise me in the least."

Coroner Flaherty immediately ordered the arrest of Levine and Levisohn, who so prove the street of the structure of the

mysteriously disappeared after the acci-dent. Contractor Cohen was also arrested, but later he was discharged. The Coroner's inquest will be held next Tuesday night in the borough hall.

ELECTRICITY GOT HER TOE When in Her Sleep She Kicked Off Her Dinner Plate Armor.

Another of the many women with fanciful grievances ran up yesterday against Policeman Palmer, who is the District Attorney's doorman. She said that she wanted to make complaint against a man living in Long Island City who was trying to take Long Island City who was trying to take her life by means of a "strange hypnotical electrical device." She said that her only defence against this mysterious man, whose apparatus is effective only when she is in hed, is to put the legs of her bedstead on plates, to sleep with a crockery wash-basin over her head and to cover her person with plates. Once she kicked off one of the plates and left a toe unprotected, whereupon the mysterious force at once went to work and caused her the most excruciating pains.

Mr. Palmer told her that she came to Mr. Palmer told her that such the wrong place to complain.

"You ought to see James B. Reynolds, the Mayor's secretary," said a bystander.

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CAUGHT FRED GERKEN IN FIGHT. He'd Pitched Inte a Truckman Who Called Him a Four-Eyed Pup.

Frederick Gerken was fined \$3 by Magistrate Ommen in the Tombs police court yesterday for threatening Policeman Henry D. Ward of the Broadway squad. Ward testified that while passing the Irving National Bank Building at Chambers street and West Broadway, which is owned by Mr. Gerken, he saw Mr. Gerken engaged in a fight with a truckman.

He separated the combatants, he said, and ordered them to move on, at which Gerken became angry and abusive.

"He told me that he would make a bum out of me and have me kicked off the police force."

out of me and have me kicked off the police force," said the policeman.

"Why didn't you arrest the truckman?" demanded Mr. Gerken.

"There was just as much reason for arresting you as for arresting him," was the reply. "The truckman was much smaller than you."

"The truckman called me a 'four-eyed pup," shouted Gerken, "and the policeman seized me as though I was a murderer."

"I did not seize you until you threatened to break me and defied me to arrest you," said the policeman. "But you deserved to be arrested because you were fighting with a man half your size. You could lick him in the ring with one hand."

"I don't make my living in the ring," retorted Gerken, as he paid his fine.

IS THE BOGUS J. C. DRAYTON. The Man Who Posed as J. G. Carlisle Iden-

tifled as a Notorious Sharper. CHICAGO, Dec. 24 .- "John G. Carlisle, hypnotist," who is to face charges of swindling several Minneapolis women, was identifled yesterday as Harry Silberberg, the bogus "J. Coleman Drayton," who is known as one of the cleverest sharpers in the

country.
In Minneapolis Carlisle, or Silberberg, posed as the nephew of former Secretary of the Treasury John G. Carlisle. He in-duced Miss Bonnie Hinkle, stepdaughter duced Miss Bonnie Hinkle, stepdaughter of M. J. Scanlon, a wealthy lumberman, to elope with him, and after their marriage in St. Paul they went to Washington. Warrants charging him with swindling Miss Clarice Heebner of Minneapolis out of \$500 were served while he and his bride were spending their honeymoon at the national

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He fought extradition proceedings, but lost, and was taken back to Minneapolis last week. His identity became known yesterday when W. A. Vallins, superintendent of the Pinkerton agency in St. Paul, recognized him as the bogus Drayton or Silberberg. He is said to have admitted his identity. He swindled many Minneapolis women in various ways.

KILLED BY ELEVATED EXPRESS. Bill Poster Got Out of One Train's Way and Was Hit by Another.

George Phillips, a bill poster for Ward Gow, advertising contractors of 84 Church street, was instantly killed by the "Christmas Shoppers' Express" on the Sixth avenue elevated road at Fifty-ninth street and Ninth avenue yesterday

Phillips was posting bills on the side of the platform and was standing on the down track at the time. He saw a southbound train coming and stepped across to the

Before the frightened crowd on the plat-form could cry out the engine of the ex-press hit him, killing him instantly. Phillips's home was at 122 East 114th st. He had been in the employ of Ward & Gow for more than twenty years and was one of their foremen. He leaves a widow and four children

FOR THE LATTIMER MONUMENT. Site in Wilkes-Barre for the Shaft in Memory of the Miners.

WILKES-BARBE, Pa., Dec. 24,-John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers and chairman of the Lattimer monument committee, has turned over to Attorney James H. Shea of this city the work of securing a site in Wilkes-Barre for the monument in memory of the eighteen miners killed by a Sheriff's posse at Lattimer on Sept. 10, 1897. Mr. Shea will prepare an ordinance for the city councils, giving the mine workers the right to erect the

monument on the river common.

There is now \$8,300 in the monument fund. The cost of the design selected is about \$6,000, and the additional money will be used as a fund to keep the ment in repair and the plot around The monument will be a shaft of granite, about twenty feet high, surmounted by a bronze figure of a miner.

CUTS RIBBON DUTY.

Only Baby Ribbons to Pay 60 Per Cent.,

See'y Shaw Orders-Others Ribbons 50. The Merchants' Association received word vesterday from the Secretary of the Treasury that the decision of the Board of General Appraisers in October last, by which ribbons have been assessed at a duty of 60 per cent., instead of 50 per cent. the rate in affect since the enactment of the Dingley tariff, will be limited to baby ribbons, those under review in the case before the board. Under this ruling, which goes into effect to-morrow, the duty on all ribbons, except these mentioned, which are considered as trimmings, will be 50 per cent.

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Secretary Shaw, when in New York city recently, said he would do all in his power to see that no hardship would fall upon the importers.

VOLUNTEER JUDGES. Recorder Criticises Citizens Who Would Try His Cases for Him.

Recorder Goff took occasion yesterday to criticise citizens who send letters in behalf of convicts suggesting how the court should deal with them. His comments were caused by the receipt of many letters in behalf of Thomas D. McEntee, recently convicted of false registration from the Mills Hotel. Influential business men wrote

the letters. "It has got to be a habit," said the Recorder, "on the part of some persons to write letters in which they go beyond the line of informing the Court as to the past record and reputation of the men for whom they speak, and in which they discuss the facts in the case and criticise the trial He sent McEntee to State prison for year.

CHICAGO'S HOLD-UPS.

Two Saloons Robbed-Barkeeper in One Put in an Icebox.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.-John Healy's saloon was held up yesterday by two well dressed men who entered and forced the bartender, William Rowe, to hold up his hands and pur him in the icebox while they rifled the cash

Three men, two of them armed with revolvers, went into Joshep Luckwinski's saloon last night and held up the saloon-keeper and three patrons, securing about \$15. One of the men had a white handker-chief over his face, and the other two had chief over his face, and the other two had their coat collars turned up.

WRIT FOR ALLEGED RIPPER. Sailorman Nilson, Alias Totterman, Investe

in a Habeas Corpus. A writ of habeas corpus asking for the release of Carl Nilson, alias Emil Totterman, the sailor who is accused of the murder of Sarah Martin in a James slip hotel, was sued out yesterday by Frederick E. Goldsmith. Mr. Goldsmith says that his client is unconstitutionally held on an uncorroborated affidavit. Justice Scott, who granted the writ, directed the Coroner to make a full return to the Court of all the precedings.

REBUILDING OF OLD BRIDGE.

LINDENTHAL LEAVES PLANS FOR HIS SUCCESSORS.

Would Strengthen and Double Deck the Structure and Nearly Double Its Capacity for Rapid Transit—Cost of Changes Estimated at \$5,500,000.

Bridge Commissioner Lindenthal has sent to the Mayor the plans he has prepared and the description of them for converting the Brooklyn Bridge into a double decked structure. Mr. Lindenthal has had his engineers at work for months on the plans which have now been com-

this work until after the Manhattan Bridge is finished. The Commissioner says:

I find it practicable to convert the present old structure with one deck into a new structure with two decks, arranged to accommodate four elevated tracks and two trolley tracks. The latter will be entirely separated from the roadways, each of which will be seventeen feet wide. That will make it possible to run trolley cars over the bridge at twice the speed of the present limit. It means that a pair of trolley tracks on which at present 300 cars per hour can run, will then be able to accommodate as many as 400 to 450 surface cars per hour, in and out during rush hours. That number is probably the limit of cars per hour that could be drained into the streets radiating from the Brooklyn end of the Bridge without causing congestion of street traffic during rush hours.

Greater relief and more rapid transit must be obtained by elevated railroad trains, for which four tracks are provided, in place of the present two tracks. The capacity of the rebuilt Brooklyn Bridge will thus be nearly double for rapid transit, besides restoring to their former width the two roadways for wagon traffic, and adding two promenades for pedestrians. There will also be more space for telegraph wires, postal tubes and other equipment on the Bridge structure.

It is intended to place stairways and elevacors at each anchorage, to make the Bridge accessible from the streets below. The stone towers will be somewhat heightened in order to provide a roof for the masoury, and to make the cable bearings more accessible for inspection. At present the top of the tower is accessible only with great difficulty, and not without danger.

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The roadways will be fireproof. They will have a steel channel foundation, with wooden block paving. Throughout the structure is intended to be modernized and brought up to a condition where its maintenance (which is now very costly) may be reduced probably by one half; that is, to the mere painting of the iron-work and the repair of the tracks and wood block pavement.

Mr. Lindenthal estimates that the work will cost about \$5.500.000. As it will be

will cost about \$5,500,000. As it will be several years before the Manhattan Bridge is completed, the only good coming from the work the Commissioner has undertaken is that his plans may be found useful by some future Bridge Commissioner.

MUST NOT SEE HER CHILDREN. Five Men Unanimous About This Woman's Case.

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, in a unanimous opinion handed down yesterday, decided that Mrs. Mary D. Woodhouse is not entitled to see her three infant children. This reverses the decision

at Special Term, which allowed her to see the children at intervals.

Joseph H. Woodhouse obtained a divorce from his wife, Mary, in October, 1901, and the decree then entered gave him the entire custody of the children. Supreme Court Justice Blanchard subsequently modified this decree, so as to allow here to see the this decree so as to allow her to see the children at certain times, holding that notwithstanding her unwifely conduct it could not harm the children to be permitted to see her occasionally. Woodhouse appealed from this medification and could not harm the enddren to be permitted to see her occasionally. Woodhouse ap-pealed from this modification, and in re-versing the decision of Justice Blanchard Justice Patterson, writing for the court,

Justice Patterson, writing for the court, says:

Where the guilty wife continues her relations with her paramour, and leads an immoral and degrading life, there is no propriety in interfering with the judgment which has separated her from her children, nor should they again be brought under her influence in any way, until she has given evidence of contrition and reformation. Were the defendant's life now blameless, a different view would be taken, but, as it is, we cannot allow such a precedent to stand, as would be made by an affirmance of this order.

Mrs. Woodhouse was accused of intimacy Mrs. Woodhouse was accused of intimacy with George Davis, alias Bothner, and it was alleged that she still continued these

relations STOLE HIS OWN HANDIWORK, Sentence Suspended on an Artist With the

Rum Out of Him. A mosaic worker named Antonio Cristofole was before Recorder Goff yesterday. Cristofole made an affidavit in which he said that he was formerly president of the Mosaic Workers' Association and had gradually become a drunkard and lost his office and his job. Antonio Loscalzo of 241 East Twenty-ninth street had taken him in and befriended him, and to pay Loscalzo Cristofole made out of materials Loscalzo Cristofole made out of materials costing less than \$1 mosaic figures of an eagle and an Indian's face which Loscalzo valued at \$50. Subsequently, Cristofore said, he had ungratefully stolen these figures, meaning to pawn them, but intending eventually to redeem them and return them to Loscalzo. Cristofole said that he had been in the Tombs long enough to get the alcohol out of his system and to realize the gravity of his mode of life. He said he intended to reform. The Recorder said he intended to reform. The Recorder

LOVING CUP FOR A CITY VETERAN Chief Clerk Class of the Building Bureau Gets a Fine Xmas Gift.

William H. Class, chief clerk of the Manhattan Bureau of Buildings, who has been for thirty-eight merry Christmases in the municipal civil service, received a loving cup yesterday from the heads of the clerical divisions of the Manhattan bureau. The cup is of copper, lined with cup yesterday from the heads of the clerical divisions of the Manhattan bureau. The cup is of copper, lined with gold and trimmed with silver and finished handsomely with three staghorn handles. It bears Mr. Class's monogram and an inscription expressing appreciation of his services. Eddie Carroll, the Manhattan language was the presentation address. services. Eddle Carroll, the Mannattan plan clerk, made the presentation address, and Mr. Class, who is still as lively as a cricket, expressed his thanks with a broad smile. Then he liquidated his obligations becomingly.

Jack O'Brien Outpoints Jim Jeffords. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Jack O'Brien outpointed Jim Jeffords in the wind-up at the Broadway A. C. to-night, but before be got through with the job he knew that he got through with the job he knew that he had been mixed up in a mill. It was far and away the best exhibition ever given by Jeffords in this city, and on several occasions during the progress of the bout, notably in the third round, he appeared to have something on the clever O Brien.

He showed a willingness that has been conspicuously absent in his previous bouts, wading right in and swinging both hands with all the strength that he had at his command, with the hope of landing a punch that would settle the argument in jig time.

Jack McClelland Wins Another Fight at Pittsburg.

It just required six rounds for Jack McClelland, the crack Pittsburg featherweight, to demonstrate that George Engle, another demonstrate that George Engle, another Pittsburg boxer, was not in it with him. The two came together at Pittsburg on Wednesday night in what was to have been a ten round bout. But in the sixth Engle was very much to the bad. He was floored twice and staggered all over the ring. The referce stopped the mill and awarded the fight to McClelland

Yale Football Player Dropped.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 24.-The most promising NEW HAVEN, Dec. 24.—The most promising candidate for full back on the Yale '04 football team, John Nathau Levine, has been dropped from the Yale Law School and will not be eligible to play next season. Levine is deficient in English. He was born and educated abroad and has had great difficulty mastering the languages. He says he will study the remainder of the year and try again next fall.

NEW YORK A. C. TICKET. President John B. Van Wormer Renomi

naled for a Fifth Term.

Members of the New York A. C. who visited the clubhouse at Central Park South las night were confronted with the ticket which the nominating committee posted yesterday and which, it is hoped, will govern the club for 1904. As foreshadowed in THE SUN several days ago, last year's officers have been re-nominated but there are a couple of changes in the list of governors going on for two years.
W. F. Patterson and S. D. Brewster have retired, and their places have been filled by Patriod Francis Murphy and William L. Marshall. The latter is a life member of the club, and his election dates to 1895. He is the president of a big lumber concern and prominent in business circles. Mr. Murphy is president of the Cross harness company of president of the Cross harness company of Broadway and Warren street and was admitted to the club in 1900. It was he who gained structure of the Brooklyn Bridge "is in a wornout and weakened condition, requiring constant and expensive repairs to keep it safe." The rebuilding of the bridge has become imperative, but he bridge has become imperative, but he toket, has already served four years as president, and in the history of the club this record has only been exceeded by the late william R. Travers, who died while serving his sixth year in that office. The ticket is as find it practicable to convert the present old structure with one deck into a new structure with one deck into a new structure.

President, John R. Van Wormer; vice-president, Albert E. Colfax; secretary, Charles L. Burnham; treasurer, Charles E. Goodhue; captain, Charles H. Sherrill; governors for two years, Charles P. Geddes, Frederick Vilmar, H. K. S. Wilson, P. F. Murphy, Thomas J. Regan, William L. Marshall and James H. Hasilin. William L. Marshall and James H. Hasila.

The governors held over and who will serve another year are: R. H. Goffe, Jr., Edward W. Kearney, James Ross Curran, George W. Kulke, Mortimer Bishop, Robert C. Kammerer, M. S. Palne and Frederick J. Wells. The inclusion of Jimmy Hasila on the regular ticket removes the possibility of an opposition party. A few weeks ago there was some talk of R. T. Lyons for captain, and the talk is going on yet, but the boom is not taken seriously, and Lyons will hardly oppose Capt. Sherrill. The election takes place on Jan. 12.

INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORT. Greater New York League Promises to

Be a Strong Body. There is every indication that the Greater New York Interscholastic Athletic League will be organized soon after the 1st of the year. All the schools in Brooklyn favor the scheme, and the promoters are now waiting for the local schools to get in line. Owing to it is likely that the local schools will decide to join hands with their Brooklyn cousins. However, should they decide otherwise, De Witt Clinton, Morris High, Hamilton Institute, Dwight and Woodbridge would be asked to affiliate with the boys from across the big Bridge. Brooklyn High, Erasmus Hall High, "Poly Prep," Commercial High and probably Horace Mann School would come in line. These ten schools would make the strongest interscholastic athletic association in the country.

For a great many years there has been more or less grumbling and lack of strength shown by the schools in both associations. Some of the strongest schools have withdrawn from both leagues, and as a result matters have been muddled up. The promoters of the new association assert that a consolidation into a Greater New York Interscholastic Athletic League would be of benefit to all.

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The main object of the new association is to form representative interscholastic teams each year. This is now made practically impossible with the existence of two leagues. Evert Jansen Wendell will be present at the first meeting to address the delegates. The alumni of Erasmus Hall High School will hold a meeting next week to discuss plans and at Dwight School, this city, a similar meeting will be held. Headmaster Williams said yesterday that his school would join the new association, and that he thought it the best move made for the interest of the sport in Greater New York. Headmaster Shaw of Hamilton Institute and Centre of Woodbridge School, express similar views. It has already been agreed that the Western policy of the formation of a faculty advisory board should be adopted. Not a few are in favor of doing away with the present coaching system, and following the Western plan for a graduate coaching squad.

LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

Jack Blackburn William to Fight at 133 Pounds for the Honor. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In THE SUN of Dec. 15 there is an article on the sporting page a portion of which is a statement from Al. Herford, manager of Joe Gans, who claims to be the lightweight champion of the world. I came to this city several months ago and have beaten every boxer whom I was matched against. I met Gans in a six-round bout, and although there was no official decision rendered, all of the newspapers gave me the credit of beating Gans. When the match was proposed I offered to fight Gans at 133 pounds, ringside, but Herford laughed at the proposition and said that the lowest weight that Gans would make was 138 pounds, at 6 o'clock, as he would not train for a six-round bout where there was no decision to be given. I weighed in, but Gans did not weigh, and I fought and beat him at eatchweights.

Herford asserted after the contest that I was not entitled to a victory over Gans and said that a six round bout was not a test of a man's boxing ability. I agreed to meet Gans in a fifteen round bout at Baltimore for a decision at Herford's own club. Again I offered to box Gans at 183 pounds ringside but Herford refused and the only weight he would agree on was 183 pounds at 6 o'clock. I accepted the terms, as I am sure that I can beat Gans in fifteen rounds or fifty rounds as far as endurance is concerned. The bout was scheduled for Dec. 18, but Herford postponed it till. Dec. 21, stating that Gans had injured one of his hands in his bout with Langford at Boston. On Dec. 19, Herford declared the bout off entirely, stating that Gans had a bad cold and was threatened with pneumonia.

Now, Herford is talking of another bout and I have decided that after beating Sam Langford in Boston to-night that I am entitled to a match with Gans for the lightweight champlonship. I am willing to leave the question of weight to THE Sun to decide. I claim that a contest for the championship must be fought at 183 pounds. I can make that weight and I am willing to meet Gans at those figures. 183 ringside, not at 3 o'clock or at any time that will give the men a chance to gain several pounds. If Gans can't make this weight, let him and his manager be men enough to say so and give up the title of champion and leave it open to be fought for by men who can make the weight. If Gans won't meet me at the legitimate lightweight limit, I am willing to boa any man in the world who will meet me for the title. I remain, yours truly,

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.

Annual Meeting of the Metropolitan Association.

Horace Russell, president of the Metropoli Horace Russell, president of the Metropolitan Golf Association, and his family will go to Europe about Feb. 1. The annual meeting of the association will be held on the first Tuesday in February, and if possible Judge Russell will stay over to preside.

To-day's play includes open handicaps at the two Lakewood clubs, the Country Club and the Pine Forest Golf Club, and club events at Richmond Country, Dyker Meadow, Crescent A. C. and at several of the New Jersey links.

M. B. Hall, 170, met John Keane, 200, in the amateur handicap 14-inch balk line tournaamateur handicap 14-inch balk line tournament at the Knickerbocker Billiard Academy, Brooklyn, last night. The game was played more rapidly than any of the previous games. In the third inning Keane made a run of 13, the first of six double figure clusters. Hull seemed to lack control, as his scoring in the first thirty minutes was mostly confined to runs varying from 1 to 5 points. Keane, in winning the game, was aided to a greatextent by his highruns, which netted him a total of 115 points.

Keane (200-0, 0, 13, 1, 0, 1, 12, 9, 1, 1, 0, 6, 6, 2, 1, 1, 7, 2, 0, 17, 1, 2, 2, 1, 12, 3, 2, 4, 2, 3, 0, 0, 5, 1, 0, 0, 0, 4, 4, 4, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 19, 4, 5, 2, 0, 3, 0, 2, 1, 11. Total, 200. Average, 3 28-57. High runs, 21, 19, 17, Hull (700-0, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 0, 1, 5, 2, 0, 2, 2, 0, 1, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 2, 0, 5, 5, 3, 0, 0, 10, 4, 6, 5, 1, 0, 2, 2, 0, 10, 5, 5, 0, 2, 2, 1, 1, 3, 0, 2, 2, 3, 1, 9, 2. Total 123. Average, 2 12-57. High runs, 10, 10, 9.

Maurice Daly has an inventive mind. He thought out the huge spectacles for use in playing billiards by one whose eyes require glasses, the glass being so big that the eye looked through it from any position of the head; and now Mr. Daly has devised a plan for the furtherance of the rich growth of bair which adorns his head in a small area at the back. His derby hat is punctured with a myriad of air holes to give ventilation. The holes are so minute as to escape detection, unless one is very close to the hat, yet they allow the air to circulate around the crarium without giving the headgear a damaged appearance, Mr. Daly not only being always up with the times in a business way and always in the mode as to habiliments, but desirous as well of preserving the capillary unities. ment at the Knickerbocker Billiard Academy

The first of the series of matches for the championship of the recently organized Intermediate Hockey League was decided last night at the Clermont Avenue Rink, in Brooklyn. The opposing sevens were the Company A. Twenty-third Regiment, team and the Charles Commercial School. The score: Charles School, 8 goals; Company A. Twenty-third Regiment, 2

SPORTING GOSSIP OF TO-DAY.

JOCKEY CLUB STEWARDS NOT IN-CLINED TO LENIENCY.

Reason Why Two Big Plungers Were Placed Under the Ban-George Dixon's Record in England-Comiskey Declares Himself as to Piryers Jones and Davis.

The stewards of the Jockey Club have been accused of leniency in times past and a desire to avoid scandal, but it might be well to recall the fact that during the year at least two men prominent all over the turf world. The stewards refused the entries of "Pittsburg Phil" and only the other day denied him a hearing. They also ruled John J. Ryan, the get-rich-quick man, off all East ern tracks until such time as he can disprove the charges brought against him by the Fort Erie Jockey Club. In discussing these specific cases of discipline, a well known horseman at the Broadway Paddock yesterday said:
"You can bet that the stewards know what

they were about. They have always been slow to wrath, but when they have the correct line on things then they move. They have frowned on big bettors for a long time, and they will not let up. 'Pittsburg Phil' and Ryan, by their operations in the ring, have attracted a great deal of attention. Reports of their winnings have been spread broadcast and have created a great deal of talk. The stewards refused 'Pittsburg's' entries because they did not think a plunger of such notoriety should race horses and control a well known jockey, even though there was no outward sign of wrongdoing. "In Ryan's case, the stewards simply couldn't

stand for his reputation as a get-rich-quick operator and heavy speculator. When he won \$90,000 in one day last fall at Sheepshead Bay the stewards saw that something would have to be done. 'Pittsburg' is allowed to bet, but he has been instructed to curtail his business. Rvan is barred from all tracks is the difference between them. If I am not mistaken, the stewards before another season opens will notify all big plungers that they will have to cut down their wagers and keep them as quiet as possible. Big plunges lead to scandal sometimes, and scandal is not wanted hereabouts."

Speaking of the eclipse of Plunger Ryan, a story is in circulation to the effect that when he appeared before the stewards he was notified that he could not go to the track here the next day. This order was received by Ryan on a Wednesday, and he was very anx-lous to stay out the week without having his banishment made known. Turning to the stewards, therefore, Ryan is reported to have

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"Very well, gentlemen. If I do not go back to-morrow I shall leave \$39,000 in markers unpaid. Perhaps you would like to assume these debts in order to get rid of me with despatch. If, however, I can stay until the week is out, I'll pay up."

Ryan was promptly invited to stay, so the story goes, and he went to the track next day in apparent triumph. His presence before the stewards had been made known to everybody in the ring, and when he returned still ready to bet thousands the impression quickly gained ground that the get-rich-quick man had convinced the turf authorities that his presence was a necessary adjunct to the success of racing in the East. When he went West at the end of the week nobody thought anything unusual had happened.

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Athletic clubmen here will be interested in the information that C. Henry Genslinger has just sold his stock in the Missouri A. C. of St. Louis, and has resigned the office of secretary. Genslinger organized the club some time ago and got things coming his way when internal dissension began to crop out over the matter of boxing bouts and the admission of women to the club. As a result Genslinger and his friends, including President Leslie Marmaduke, vice-President Frank Tate and Treasurer Gorse, have been forced to resign, and Russell E. Gardner has been placed in full charge, with power to visit the leading athletic clubs of Chicago, New York and Boston to pick up ideas.

George Dixon, who has been fighting in old time form over in England lately, says that when he returns to this country he will be ready to defend the title of featherweight champion against all comers. Dixon says the featherweight limit is 118 pounds, the weight at which he was defeated by Terry McGovern, and that he can scale easily at 116 pounds and be strong. McGovern insists that the featherweight limit is 122 pounds and that he can make it, but experts believe that this would prove a severe hardship for the South Brooklyn boxer. Dixon went to England a physical wreck and practically penniless. Now he is strong and vigorous, has a bank roll and is enjoying great popularity. His ring record since making his bow on the other side is as follows:

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four were victories, nine were draws and five were reverses. Pretty good work for the little colored boy who was the undisputed featherweight champion of the world for twelve years.

There is a strong sentiment among the football men and undergraduates at Columbia favoring American Leavue Park for all branches of outdoor sports next season. Football Coach William Morley has sent a Football Coach William Morley has sent a recommendation to the Advisory Committee that American League Park be engaged for next fall's gridiron battles. Morley has informed the committee that the ground is higher and drier than the Polo Grounds and that the arrangement of seats is more suitable for the games than elsewhere. He has also called attention to the fact that the Park can be reached next season by the subway in six minutes ride from the University station, at 116th street and Broadway. It is believed that the committee will yield to the popular demand and come to terms with the Greater New York Baseball Club in a few days.

New York Baseball Club in a few days.

President Comiskey of the Chicago American League club says that he would not accept \$100,000 for the releases of Fielder Jones and George S. Davis, the two players who expect to draw salaries from the New York Nationals next season in spite of the action of the peace committee, backed up by the National Baseball Commission, awarding them to Chicago. "The only way Brush can get these men, says Comiskey." is to break the national agreement. If he insists on playing them as members of the New York team, I will venture to predict that the National League, already half dead, will be disrupted. Jones and Davis will come here to me and report for duty in the spring, or they will have to get out of baseball. It is a matter of principle, and I would not recede from the stand I have taken for all the ball clubs in the world."

Comiskey is known to baseball as a man of his word and an obstinate propostilon when he gets his back up.

Mike Donovan Knocks Out Tom Heffron. Mike Donovan, the Rochester middleweight defeated Tom Heffron in a slashing seven round fight in private on Wednesday night The battle took place in a clubhouse near Rochester and was attended by about one hundred persons, who paid fancy prices to see the combat. The encounter was to have see the combat. The encounter was to have been for twenty rounds. Heffron did very well for six rounds, but in the seventh he went to pieces and was knocked out by a hard right in the pit of the stomach. Donovan did not show anything like his regular form, and those who saw the scrap are of the opinion that Heffron with a little more experience can whip Donovan. After the mill Heffron issued a challenge to fight twenty rounds for \$100 a side and Donovan has accepted. Otto Sieloff Whips Henry Fagin.

The six round bout between Otto Sieloff of Chicago and Henry Fagin before the Ninth Ward Club, Chicago, on Wednesday night, was productive of some rapid fighting. Sieloff productive of some rapid fighting. Sieloff was the aggressor throughout and easily got the decision. In only one round of the fight did Fagin have a chance of winning. That was in the opening round, when he landed a terrific right swing on Sieloff's jaw, staggering him and compelling Otto to clinch to save himself. After that round Sieloff had everything his own way, punching Fagin aeverely about the body and face and flooring him twice in the second with right swings on the jaw. These blows took all the steam out of Fagin, and he was groggy in every round after. The decision in Sieloff's favor was well received.

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RACING AT NEW ORLEANS. Selling Race War Breaks Out Afresh -Rough Riding by Higgins.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24. - The first run up of the meeting occurred at the Fair Grounds this afternoon after Aggie Lewis was returned the winner in the fourth race, which was a six furlong affair for two-year-olds. Albert Simons was the man who played the leading role. Aggie Lewis is owned by Capt. S. S. Brown, the Pittsburg millionaire, who is at present out of the city. The stable was left in charge of M. J. Shannon, the ex-jockey, and Aggie Lewis was entered to be sold for \$1,000. After Aggie Lewis came home in a fighting finish a head in front of the Simon entry, Agnes Brennan, Simons bid up the daughter of the Pirate of Penzance until \$1,500 was reached, when Shannon remarked: "Take her." The running up created a great deal of excitement. The stewards, after the third race, suspended

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The stewards, after the third race, suspended Jockey Higgins for three days, for rough riding. The stable of J. J. Gilmore was suspended for the actions of Radford at the post in the third race. Radford looked as though he was doped. Wreath of Ivy was trun up to \$1.205 after winning the last race. She was retained by her owner.

First Race—Six furlongs—Paristenne, 109 (W. Hicks), 7 to 10, won; Dusky, 92 (W. Fisher), 8 to 1, second; Miss Hume, 108 (Higgins), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:13 4.5. Irene Mac, Feronia, Second Sight. Sadle Burch, Style, Offset, Algonquin and Filly Deck also ran.

Second Race—One mile—Bud Embry, 99 (W. Hennessy), 4 to 1, won; The Regent, 109 (Fuller), 13 to 5, second; Sarah Maxim, 96 (H. Phillips), 13 to 5, third. Time, 1:40 2.5. Lampoon, McWilliams, Bourke Cockran, Zyra, Potente, Exapo and Henry of Franstamar also ran.

Third Race—One mile—Col. Tyler, 105 (Helgerson) 7 to 2, won; ome More, 107 (Higgins), 4 to 1, second; Radford, 110 (Homer, 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:42 4.6. Meistersinger, Whitmore, Ravino, Fair Lass, Nimble Nag, Marion Etta and The Talisman also ran.

Fourth Race—Six furlongs—Aggie Lewis, 106 (Helgerson), 3 to 1, won; Agnes Brennan, 107 (Gannon), 7 to 1, second; Julia W., 101 (Salling), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 3.5. Lady Free Knight, Bronx, Hexam, Phillida. Ghats and Major Carpenter also ran.

Fith Race—Five furlongs—Sadducee, 109 (Cochran), 3 to 1, won; Jim A. Long, 104 (Higgins), 100 to 1, second; New York, 117 (Fuller), 11 to 5, third. Time, 1:03 4.5. Josette, Eva Russell and Scorplo also ran.

Sixth Race—Six furlongs—Wreath of Ivy, 100 (L. Wilson), 5 to 1, won; Fourth Favorite, 105 (Higgins), 11 to 5, second; Allegrette, 91 (W. Hennessy), 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Any Day, Ora McKinney, Snowcap, Bountful, Preakness, Gus Heirdon and Jim Ferrin also ran.

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At San Francisco.

SAN PRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Racegoers had perfect weather for their sport this afternoon at the Ingleside track. The Jennings coil Shot Gun easily defeated Keniworth in the five and a half furlong dash. In the fourth race Jockey Club gained a victory after a hot drive with Nigrette and Caronal. First Race—Six furlongs—Louis Wagner, 90 (Larsen), 7 to 2 won; Nullah, 92 (Hildebrand), 5 to 1, second; Cardwellton, 107 (Wonderly), 7 to 2, third. Time, 1:15. Hungarian, Optimo, Evander, Penance, Rey Hooker, Lunga, Brissac, Martin, Cathello and Rionda also ran.

Second Race—Futurity course—Dick Turpin, 110 (Wonderly), 111, even, won; H. L. Frank, 110 (Chandler), 2 to 1, second: Military Man, 113 (Connell), 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:12. Dr. Rowell, Bombardler, Flea, Potrero Grande and Red Cross Nurse also ran.

Third Race—Six furlongs—Sad Sam, 104 (Sherwood), 6 to 5, won; Money Muss, 103 (J. T. Sheehan), 4 to 1, second; Albemarle, 106 (Bell), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:13½, St. Winifried, The Stewardess, Capitivate and Egyptian Princess also ran.

Fourth Race—One mile and a sixteenth—Jockey Club, 97 (Larsen), 2 to 1, won; Nigrette, 96 (Connell), 5 to 1, second; Caronal, 99 (Hildebrand), 11 to 10, third. Time, 1:48, Position, Allopath and Rio Shannon also ran.

Fitch Race—Five and a half furlongs—Shot Gun, 119 (J. Martin), 3 to 5, won; Kenliworth, 113 (Wonderly), 11 to 5, second: Perer J., 110 (W. Dugan), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:08½, Emshee and Amasa also ran.

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Ledacan also ran.

MOTOR CYCLE CLUB ELECTION. New York Riders Break Away From Trade Influences in Organization.

The nominating committee of the New York Motor Cycle Club has created something of a stir by presenting a list of candidates for the 1904 term which, with a single exception, changes the entire official makeup of the organization, by placing the active riding element in control and eliminating the trade contingent. Capt. Miller is the only incumbent renominated. The election will be held on Jan. 13. The ticket is as

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President, M. E. Toopel: vice-president, Edward
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Miller; first lieutenant, A. T. Bendix; second lieutenant, H. Jehle; delegates to associated cycling
clubs - Will R. Pitman, George P. Jenkins,
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Football Recruits for Annapolis. Two college football players of marked

ability may enter the Naval Academy next year, according to report. One is Carpenter of the Virginia Polytechnic nstitute, who kicked a goal from the field from the 45-yard line against the Middies his fall. Carpenter plays back of the line this fall. Carpenter plays back of the line and is a very promising man. He has received an Annapolis appointment, and if he does not go to Yale expects to go to Annapolis. Metcalf, the fast Yale half back for two years, also has received an appointment and will enter the Naval Academy. He would strengthen almost any team he played on and be a big addition to the Middles' squad. There are no eligibility rules at West Point or Annapolis preventing college stars from becoming members of the football team, but there has been a good deal of talk of such a rule being adopted by the two institutions. However, Metcalf has not played four years at Yale and would be eligible at another college after a year's residence there.

lee Yachts in Close Race. NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 24.-The Orange

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